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H. R. 2497

To establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado
as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 14, 2021

Mr. NEGUSE (for himself and Mr. BUCK) introduced the following bill; which
was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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of Colorado as a unit of the National Park System,
and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Amache National His-
5 toric Site Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.—The term “Na-
9 tional Historic Site” means the Amache National
10 Historic Site established by section 3(a).

(2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Director of the National Park Service.

4 SEC. 3. AMACHE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.

5 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established the
6 Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado
7 as a unit of the National Park System.

8 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the National Historic
9 Site is to preserve, protect, and interpret for the benefit
10 of present and future generations resources associated
11 with—

24 (c) MAP; BOUNDARIES.—

1 (1) MAP.—As soon as practicable after the date
2 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall pre-
3 pare a map, in consultation with the town of Gra-
4 nada, of the National Historic Site.

5 (2) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map prepared
6 under paragraph (1) shall be on file and available
7 for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the
8 National Park Service.

9 (3) BOUNDARIES.—The boundaries of the Na-
10 tional Historic Site shall be the boundaries generally
11 depicted on the map prepared under paragraph (1).

12 (d) PROPERTY ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.—

13 (1) REAL PROPERTY.—The Secretary may ac-
14 quire any land or interests in land located within the
15 exterior boundary of the National Historic Site by—

16 (A) donation; or

17 (B) purchase with donated or appropriated
18 funds.

19 (2) PERSONAL PROPERTY.—The Secretary may
20 acquire personal property associated with the pur-
21 poses of the site only by donation.

22 (e) CONDITIONS.—The site shall not be established
23 until the date on which the Secretary acquires sufficient
24 land within the exterior boundary of the site to constitute
25 a manageable unit.

(f) ADMINISTRATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall administer the National Historic Site in accordance with—

4 (A) this Act; and

(B) the laws generally applicable to units of the National Park System.

7 (2) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

9 (g) ADMINISTRATIVE FACILITIES.—For the purposes
10 of ensuring the preservation, protection, and proper man-
11 agement of the site and associated resources, the Sec-
12 retary may establish facilities for administration, visitor
13 services, and curation of personal property, outside the ex-
14 terior boundaries of, and in the vicinity of, the site.

15 (h) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—The Secretary
16 may enter into agreements with—

23 (i) EFFECT ON WATER RIGHTS.—Nothing in this Act
24 affects—

- 1 (1) the use, allocation, ownership, or control, in
2 existence on the date of the enactment of any water,
3 water right, or any other valid existing right;
- 4 (2) any vested absolute or decreed conditional
5 water right in existence on the date of the enact-
6 ment;
- 7 (3) any interstate water compact in existence
8 on the date of the enactment; or
- 9 (4) State jurisdiction over any water law.

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